

Imagenes for its 25th year of providing quality cultural and public affairs programming for the Hispanic community. This program has helped introduce America to the rich depth, diversity and beauty of the Latino culture through probing documentaries and thought-provoking round table discussions.

Over the years Images/Imagenes has shed light on the everyday lives of the Latino community and provided a forum for role models such as Roberto Clemente, Ricardo Montalban, Gloria Estefan, Chi Chi Rodriguez, Julio Iglesias, Nancy Lopez, Lee Trevino and Tony Ayala. The program has done some of its best work by exploring major news stories such as the AIDS epidemic, bilingual education, U.S. relations with Cuba, and the roots of domestic violence.

The show's quality and professionalism has not gone unrecognized by the television industry. Images/Imagenes has earned a Regional Emmy Award and nine Regional Emmy Award nominations. The program has also been recognized for excellence in broadcasting from the National Commission on Working Women and has received the National Unity Award.

In the late '80's, Images/Imagenes began airing the Hispanic Youth Showcase. This competition provides a forum for the tri-state area's Hispanic youth to demonstrate their skills in the performing arts. Over 1500 children have participated, with many going on to professional acting and musical careers. Every participant gains confidence because they have competed in such a popular and renowned event.

Images/Imagenes is now the longest running Latino community program in the PBS system. On Saturday, June 6, Images/Imagenes will be celebrating its Silver Anniversary at the Robert Treat Hotel in Newark, New Jersey.

I urge my colleagues to join me in honoring Images/Imagenes by working to strengthen our commitment to strong community programming. Images/Imagenes has shown us that television can be more than just entertainment, but can also provide a forum through which community building activities can take place. I congratulate Images/Imagenes on a successful 25 years and wish them another 25 years of success.

TRIBUTE TO DR. SAMUEL KRANTZOW

HON. BILL PASCRELL, JR.

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, June 5, 1998

Mr. PASCRELL. Mr. Speaker, I would like to call your attention to the many accomplishments of Dr. Samuel Krantzow, who is being honored at the breakfast celebrating the occasion of the 70th Anniversary for Congregation Ahavas Israel.

Dr. Krantzow is a life long resident of Passaic, New Jersey and a graduate of their fine school system. After giving 3 years of service to the Army Air Force during World War II, he went to school and received his degree in optometry from the Pennsylvania State College of Optometry.

In 1951, after starting his practice in his hometown of Passaic, he married the former Estelle Wechsler. They have two lovely

daughters, Caryl, who lives in Columbia, Maryland, and Debra who resides in Houston, Texas. Pamela and Rachel, their two granddaughters, are the light of Samuel and Estelle's eyes.

During his many years of optometrical practice, Dr. Krantzow served as President of the Bergen Passaic Optometric Society, as President of the N.J. Optometric Association, and as a member of the Board of Directors of the Omni Eye Services of Northern New Jersey. In addition to serving on the Governor's Advisory Committee where he was instrumental in setting up the vision portion of the Medicaid Program for the Garden State, Dr. Krantzow sat on the Board of Directors of the New Jersey Vision Service Plan. He also served for six years as a member of the Board of Directors of the Bergen Passaic Health Systems Agency. Apart from his distinguished medical associations, Dr. Krantzow is a past-chancellor of Passaic Lodge, Knights of Pythias.

Being active in the local Jewish community constitutes a large part of Dr. Krantzow's schedule. From 1989–1990, he served as President of the Ahavas Israel Congregation. Dr. Krantzow was called to serve again in June 1994 as co-President of his congregation, and from 1996 until 1997, he held the position on his own. Currently, Dr. Krantzow serves as co-chairman of the Chevra Kadisha of Congregation Ahavas Israel. Believing he should give something back to his community, he has been Staff Optometrist at the Daughters of Miriam Center for the Aged in Clifton and is a delegate to the Jewish Memorial Chapel.

Mr. Speaker, I ask that you join me, our colleagues, the Congregation of Ahavas Israel, Dr. Krantzow's family and friends, and the City of Passaic in recognizing and honoring the accomplishments of Dr. Samuel Krantzow.

TRIBUTE TO THE EXPLORAVISION AWARDS PROGRAM

HON. GEORGE E. BROWN, JR.

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, June 5, 1998

Mr. BROWN of California. Mr. Speaker, I rise to announce the introduction of House Concurrent Resolution 279, a resolution to honor the ExploraVision Awards Program and to encourage more students to participate in this innovative national student science competition.

The ExploraVision Awards Program is funded by Toshiba and administered by the National Science Teachers Association. Nearly 18,000 students entered the competition this year, making it the largest K–12 student science competition in the world. Working in teams of 3 or 4 with a teacher-advisor, students use their imaginations to envision a form of technology 20 years from now and compete by sharing their vision through written descriptions and story boards.

As a strong advocate of science education in Congress, I am proud to have introduced House Concurrent Resolution 279 in support of the goals of the ExploraVision Awards Program. This is truly an innovative program that energizes students with a desire to learn and increases their interest in the world of science. The program is designed to help develop the

kind of scientific and technological thinking our society needs for the 21st century.

On June 12, more than 40 students will come to our Nation's Capital to receive top honors in the 1998 ExploraVision Awards. I applaud the student winners for their hard work, creativity, and ability to work together as a team to explore innovative scientific work for the future. With their enthusiasm for learning and their commitment to scientific excellence, the future of our Nation is in good hands.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in cosponsoring House Concurrent Resolution 279 to support the goals of the ExploraVision Awards Program, and to commend the student winners for their outstanding accomplishment.

REPORT FROM INDIANA—TERRI TOWNER

HON. DAVID M. MCINTOSH

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, June 5, 1998

Mr. MCINTOSH. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to give my Report from Indiana.

There are so many good people doing great things to make our community a better place to live. Every so often, I run across a story that I feel stands out. These shining individuals are what I like to call Hoosier Heroes. These Heroes are an inspiration to me, and by sharing their stories I hope they can not only be an inspiration to my colleagues today, but as well as the American people.

Mr. Speaker, Terri Towner of Pendleton, Indiana, is a Hoosier Hero. Her dedication to the Senior Citizens of Madison County provides us with a role model that we all can strive to model. Terri is a volunteer for Pet-A-Pal, a volunteer organization that incorporates animals to bring smiles to the faces of Senior Citizens by parading animals in costumes.

Jo Rehm, coordinator of the Pet-A-Pal program, described Terri as "a dedicated and faithful volunteer to the Senior Citizens." She continued by adding that Terri "simply enjoys helping others."

Sharron Towner, her mother, feels that her dedication to helping Senior Citizens stems from her strong relationship with her grandparents, and that's why Terri really appreciates what Senior Citizens have to offer.

When not volunteering her time, Terri enjoys playing the trumpet in the East Side Church of God band and is an active member in Sunday school. Youth Pastor Andy Odle described Terri as, "a very responsible, talented, intelligent young lady."

After high school, Terri plans on attending Purdue University to study pre-law. She hopes to be able to utilize her education to become involved in laws pertaining to Senior Citizens.

This is testimony from people that have seen the difference that one person can make. This is just one example, of one person who has made a significant difference on the lives of others. Dedication, faithfulness, responsibility; these are examples of the values and beliefs that sometimes go unnoticed.

Mr. Speaker, this is the foundation for the American spirit. Doing the right thing. Helping others and demonstrating the qualities that make us "good" people. These are the qualities that Terri Towner has learned, and this is why she is a Hoosier Hero, Mr. Speaker that is my report from Indiana.